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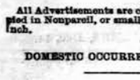
WEEKLY STEAM COMMUNICATION WITH THE MALABAR COAST, CEYLON, MADRAS, AND CALCUTTA.



THE BRITISH INDIA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY (Limited), under contract with Government, will despatch the S. S. PENANG, 700 Tons, 120 H. P., Commander W. W. Allen, on SATURDAY, the 22nd December 1877, at 4 p.m., calling at Ratnagherry, Vingorla, Goa, Carwar, Mangalore, Cannanore, Tellicherry, Calicut, Beypore, Cochin, Alleppey, Tuticorin, Colombo, Negapatam, Pondicherry, Madras, Masulipatam, Coconada, Vizagapatam, Bimlipatam, Gopalpore, False Point and at any other place where inducement offers.

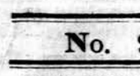
Cargo for Singapore and China can be booked fortnightly by the steamers on this line hence or from intermediate ports for transhipment at Galle to the Steamers of the Compagnie des Messageries Maritimes de la France which run regularly.

N.B.—No Cargo will be received on the day of sailing.

W. NICOL & Co., Agents.

WEEKLY STEAM COMMUNICATION WITH THE PERSIAN GULF, VIA KURRACHEE.

Interchanging Cargo and Passengers at Bussorah, to and from Bagdad, with the Euphrates and Tigris Steam Navigation Company or other Steamers.

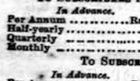


THE BRITISH INDIA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY (Limited), under Mail Contract with Government, will despatch the S. S. EUPHRATES, 863 Tons, 120 H. P., Commander J. L. Sherll, on THURSDAY, the 20th December 1877, at 4 p.m. to the PERSIAN GULF, touching at KURRACHEE, GWADUR, JASK, BUNDERABBAS, LINGA, BUSHIRE, FAO, BUSHEH, and occasionally at BAHREIN and MAHOMERAH.

N.B—No Cargo will be received on the day of sailing.

W. NICOL & Co., Agents.

BI-WEEKLY STEAM COMMUNICATION WITH KURRACHEE.



THE BRITISH INDIA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY (Limited), under Mail Contract with Government, will, during the fair season, despatch a Steamer to Kurrachee every THURSDAY at 4 p.m., and an Extra Steamer n every TUESDAY at 10 a.m.

The S. S. EUPHRATES, 863 Tons, 120 H. P., Commander J. L. Sherll, will be despatched on THURSDAY, the 20th December 1877, at 4 p.m.

The S. S. VINGORLA, 578 Tons, 120 H. P., Commander R. D. Dougherty, on TUESDAY, the 25th December 1877, at 10 a.m., calling at Verawul, Mangrole, Pore Bunder and Cutch Mandvie.

N. B.—No Cargo will be received on the day of sailing.

W. NICOL & Co., Agents.

STEAM COMMUNICATION WITH ITALY VIA SUEZ CANAL.

ITALIAN STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY of Messrs. R. RUBATTINO & Co., GENOA.

THE REGULAR STEAMERS LEAVE GENOA and BOMBAY on the 24th, and on the 1st *of each month.*

For extra steamers see list given below.

PASSENGERS' RATES.

(Inclusive of all Transit Fees through the Suez Canal.)

	1st Class.		2nd Class.		3rd Class.	
Aden	£22	0	£15	0	£4	Without food.
Suez	36	0	22	0	8	
Port Said	38	0	24	0	9	
Messina	50	0	34	0	14	
Naples	50	0	34	0	14	
Leghorn	50	0	34	0	14	
Genoa	50	0	34	0	14	
Marseilles	52	0	35	0	14-10	

Including Supper, Wine & Bedding.

Children under 3 years—free of charge. Children not above 10 years—half fare.

NEXT STEAMERS FROM BOMBAY :—

ASSIRIA, to sail on TUESDAY, 1st January 1878.
ARABIA to sail on FRIDAY, 1st February 1878.
PERSIA, to sail on WEDNESDAY, 20th February 1878.
AUSTRALIA, to sail on FRIDAY, 1st March 1878.
ASSIRIA, to sail on MONDAY, 1st April 1878.

All Steamers of this Company have large First and Second Class accommodation ; and always carry a Doctor and a Stewardess on board.

The steamers of this Company, as a rule, start precisely at 10 A. M. Any unavoidable detention will, however, be advertised at least one day previously.

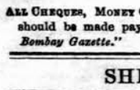
For hand-books of information, rates of freight, &c., apply to

C. GRONDONA,
Agent Rubattino Steam Navigation Company,
No. 2, Hummum Street.

Bombay, 23rd October 1877.

NOTICE.

"HALL" LINE
S. S. CITY OF BALTIMORE



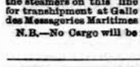
WILL sail POSITIVELY on SATURDAY, the 22nd inst., for LIVERPOOL direct.

W. & A. GRAHAM & Co., Agents.

ANCHOR LINE—INDIAN SERVICE.

FORTNIGHTLY BETWEEN GLASGOW, LIVERPOOL AND BOMBAY.

CALLING AT NAPLES ON THE HOMEWARD JOURNEY.



THE following or other First Class Steamers of the Anchor Line will sail from Bombay as under :—

	Tons. H.P.	From Bombay.
INDIA	2,289 500	December 29
MACEDONIA	2,372 486	January 5
TRINACRIA	2,107 424	„ 19
THESSALY	„ „	February 2
EUROPA	2,277 424	„ 16
CASTALIA	2,200 424	At fortnightly intervals.
ITALIA	2,246 424	

The Thessaly is the property of Mr. David MacIver, M. P. She will not carry passengers

RATES OF PASSAGE MONEY.

To Naples ..... Rs. 400
To Liverpool ..... „ 500

Passengers desirous of making a short stay in Italy, may disembark at Naples and proceed on to Liverpool by the following steamer, and passengers di embarking at Naples can have their heavy baggage taken on o Liverpool without any extra charge.

Messrs. HOLME & Co., the Company's Agents at Naples, will render any assistance, and tender any information required by the Passengers.

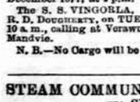
Passengers booked and cargo engaged in connection with the Trans-Atlantic Service from London and Glasgow to New York.

For Passage, &c , apply to

W. & A. GRAHAM & Co.,
Bombay, November 13, 1877. Agents.

HALL LINE.

BOMBAY TO LIVERPOOL, DIRECT, AND TO LONDON, OVERLAND, *via* NAPLES OR GENOA.



THE S.S. CITY OF BALTIMORE, 2,300 Tons register, 300 H. P. nominal, Captain T. Collin, about the 22nd December.

S. S. TRENTHAM HALL,

2,100 Tons register, 300 H. P. nominal, Captain J. Shaw, about the 12th January.

For passage, &c. apply to

W. & A. GRAHAM & Co., Agents.

N. B.—Messrs. HENRY S. KING and Co. and Messrs. KING BAILLIE and Co. are the Passenger Agents for this Line in London and Liverpool respectively. Arrangements for Remittances, Sovereigns, Circular Notes, Shipment of Baggage &c., will be attended by Messrs. KING, KING & Co. here.

mbay, December31, 1877.

SHIPPING.

PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL COMPANY.

THE following or other first-class Vessels will be despatched for EUROPE :—

Vessels.	Tons.	H.P.	Captain.	
VENETIA	2726	450	W. B. Andrews	24th Dec.
(a) GWALIOR	2725	450	J. C. Babot	31st do.
			1878	
SUMATRA	2488	450	C. Anderson	7th Jan.
(a) THIBET	2503	400	J. H. Torbock	14th do.
CHINA	2016	450	T. Alderton	21st do.
(a) TEHERAN	2589	400	A. H. Johnson	28th do.

Passengers are booked to ADEN, SUEZ, BRINDISI, ANCONA, VENICE, MARSEILLES, MALTA, GIBRALTAR and SOUTHAMPTON by every Mail. The Steamers marked (a) proceed direct to Southampton ; but by the others Passengers change vessels at Suez, and those for Brindisi, Ancona, Venice, and Marseilles are conveyed by Rail from Suez to Alexandria.

A small Steamer leaves the New Dock Head at Mazagon, at 3 P.M. precisely, on the day of sailing.

J. R. KELLOCK,
Bombay, November 28, 1877. Superintendent.

STEAM TO CEYLON, PENANG, STRAITS, CHINA, AND JAPAN.

THE following Steamers will be despatched for the above ports, carrying H. M.'s Mails, and taking also Passengers and Cargo for Madras and Calcutta :—

Vessels.	Tons.	H.P.	Captains.	
MONGOLIA	2883	600	A. Coleman	25th Dec. at 3 p. m.
INDUS	3470	500	S. D. Shallard	8th Jan. do.
LOMBARDY	2723	450	W. B. Hall	22nd Jan. do.
KHIVA	2609	450	G. Lee	5th Feb. do.

J. R. KELLOCK,
Bombay, 28th Nov. 1877. Superintendent.

STEAM TO KING GEORGE'S SOUND, ADELAIDE, MELBOURNE, AND SYDNEY, CALLING AT COLOMBO AND GALLE.

THE following Steamers will be despatched for the above ports :—

Vessels.	Tons.	H.P.	Captains.	
TANJORE	2263	450	W. W. Fentiman	4th Jan. 3 p.m.
SIAM	3000	500	G. N. Hector	1st Feb. do.

J. R. KELLOCK,
Bombay, 12th November 1877. Superintendent.

P. & O. S. N. COMPANY.

SPECIAL THREE-MONTHLY RETURN TICKETS.

TO suit the convenience of Government Officials and others taking PRIVILEGE LEAVE, the Company has arranged to issue from this date RETURN TICKETS available for THREE MONTHS (counting from the date of sailing to the date of arrival) at the following REDUCED RATES :—

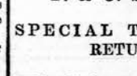
Bombay to Brindisi or Venice and back (including transit through Egypt) ..... Rs. 950
Ditto with the option of travelling one way *vid* Southampton ..... „ 1,000

J. R. KELLOCK,
Superintendent.

Bombay, 15th December 1877.

LONDON AND HAVRE.

TO SAIL ON OR BEFORE 1st FEBRUARY.



THE New Steamer SCOTLAND, 1,694 Tons, classed 100 A 1 at Lloyd's, built specially for the East India Trade, with Cabins on Deck having accomodation for FIFTY passengers.

RATES OF PASSAGE MONEY.

To London or Havre, Rs. 500.

Exclusive of Wines and Spirits, which can be had on board.

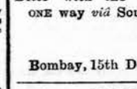
For further particulars apply to

FINLAY, MUIR & Co., Agents,
No. 1, Forbes Street.

Bombay, 17th December 1877.

AUSTRO-HUNGARIAN LLOYD'S STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

REGULAR LINE OF STEAMERS BETWEEN BOMBAY AND TRIESTE, VIA SUEZ CANAL.



THE Company will despatch the following First Class Passenger Steamers, on the undermentioned dates :—

Vessels.	Capt.	Disp. Tons.	H.P.
S.S. ETTORE	C. Lazarich	3500	400 on 21st Dec. 1877.
S.S. POLLUCE	G. Racusin.	4221	250 on 10th Jan. 1878.
S.S. ACHILLE	F. Forti	3503	400 on 5th Feb. 1878.
S.S. CASTORE	G. Marussig	3787	250 on 24th Feb. 1878.
S.S. ETTORE	C. Lazarich	3500	400 on 25th Mar, 1878.

All Steamers carry Surgeon and Stewardess.

Rates of Passage-money (exclusive of Wines and Spirits, which can be had on board at moderate prices) as under :—

	1st Class.	2nd Class.	Deck.
To Trieste	Rs. 450	Rs. 350	Rs. 180
To Port Said	„ 320	„ 255	„ 131
To Suez	„ 300	„ 240	„ 122
To Aden	„ 170	„ 130	„ 66

No cargo will be received on board after sunset on the day previous to sailing.

THROUGH TICKETS FROM TRIESTE TO LONDON.

Via Vienna, the Rhine, Ostende or Calais and Dover arranged by the Undersigned at

	Via Calais.	Via Ostende.
First Class, Trieste to London	£12-3	£11-18
Second Class, Trieste to Cologne	£9-19	£9-14
First Class, Cologne to London		

Travellers with through tickets are allowed lbs. 55 free luggage.

Tickets are available for two months from the date of departure from Trieste.

For further particulars, and for Freight and Passage, apply to the Company's Office.

J. JANNI,
Agent A. H. Lloyd's S. N. Company.

28, Bombay Green, November 21, 1877.

SPECIAL SHORT ADVERTISEMENTS.

The scale for these Advertisements is as follows :—Not exceeding 3 lines, Re. 1 ; each succeeding line 8 As. No trade advertisements are admitted under this scale.

FOR SALE, an Oscillating Double-action Condensing ENGINE (Marine), 40 H. P. nominal, complete, almost new. Apply to this Office.

FOR SALE, Victoria Phaeton, pair of Pegu Ponies and Harness, to be sold together or separately. Apply to E. F., care of *Bombay Gazette* Office.

THE REV. C. M. PYM will PREACH THIS EVENING, at 7-30 p.m., on board the OIMARA.

TO VOLUNTEERS.—FOR SALE, to be had of Color Sergt. G. W. MEDLEY, 34, Meadow Street, Manual and Firing Exercises for the Martini-Henry Rifle, small 32 mo. Price 8 Annas. Reprinted for the use of the Volunteers.

DOG-CART FOR SALE—a moderate sized one lately relined and painted, Rs. 275. A. Z., care of this paper.

CRYSTALIZED FRUITS, FIGS, PRUNES, SOFT SHELL ALMONDS, Muscatel Raisins, Fruits in Syrup, &c. Apply to W. J. ESSAI.

THREE DAGGER BRANDY.—The best "PEG" BRANDY in India. Price Rs. 24 per doz. Agents for Western India, Trant & Bridger, 7, Church Gate St., Bombay.

VEGETABLE DRUG for LEPROSY has been discovered by Mr. D. X. Pereira, who has a Dispensaryat 50, Kalbadevie Road, and has cured many cases successfully.

TO LADIES—NEW STOCK of MILLINERY just received by Mrs. MEDLEY, Milliner, 34, Meadow Street.

FURNISHED SUITE of ROOMS WANTED in MIDDLE COLABA, for six months from 1st January. Address C., care of the *Bombay Gazette*.

LADIES and GENTLEMEN'S WHITE KID GLOVES, Rs. 2-0 the pair for Cash, at Mrs. MEDLEY'S Millinery Rooms, 34, Meadow Street.

FOR SALE.—COPPER EXPANSIONS.—The Viegas Slip Company has ready for sale Copper Expansions for Steam Pipes, of good make and of different sizes. Price moderate. Apply at the Company's Factory, Mazagon.

G. I. P. R. VOLUNTEER QUADRILLE PARTY will take place at the Volunteers Drill Hall, Byculla, on FRIDAY next, 21st inst. Dancing to commence at 9 p.m. Tickets to be obtained at Boree Bunder Station and G. I. P. Railway Library, Byculla.

RAISINS, SULTANAS, and CURRANTS, in retail quantities, can be had at PEARSE'S, Apollo Street.

MESSRS. ALDRIDGE, SALMON AND COMPANY

HAVE received fresh Consignments of the undermentioned first class WINES, &c.

From PAGE AND SANDEMAN,

Amontillado Sherry	Rs.	25 per doz.
Cusénier's Fine Brandy	„	24 „
From A. COLLIN (Chalons)		
Carte Blanche Champagne	„	30
From G. PRELLER and Co. (Bordeaux)		
St. Julien Claret quarts	„	9 „
Lormont Claret „	„	12 „
Chateau Belair „	„	16 „
Haut Barsac „	„	„
Chablis „	„	16 „
From De LAAGE FILS & Co.		
Cognac—L. Béchade	„	18 „

Pints of all these Wines can be had at Rs. 2 per case of two dozen extra.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

LETTS'S DIARIES FOR 1878, all Shapes and Sizes.
COOPER & Co., Meadow Street, Bombay.

XMAS AND NEW YEAR CARDS.—Latest designs, from Annas Two and upwards.
COOPER & Co., Meadow Street, Bombay.

CHURCH SERVICES, PRAYER BOOKS, AND HYMNS in great variety and in elegant Morocco Russia, and Ivory bindings, suitable for Presentation, received per s. s. Venetia.
COOPER & Co., Meadow Street, Bombay.

ILLUSTRATED AND ELEGANTLY BOUND BOOKS, for Presentation, just imported.
COOPER & Co., Meadow Street, Bombay.

XMAS NUMBERS, ANNUALS AND ILLUSTRATED ALMANACS for 1878, received, and new ones imported by every Overland Mail.
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CHILDREN'S TOY BOOKS AND PICTURE BOOKS in large quantities and varieties to be had.
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ENGLISH NEWSPAPERS AND PERIODICALS supplied on most favourable terms, and with great regularity and punctuality. Lists sent on application.
COOPER & Co., Meadow Street, Bombay.

GLASS INKSTANDS, PAPER WEIGHTS, LETTER SCALES, &c., a large assortment on hand.
COOPER & Co., Meadow Street, Bombay.

PLAYING CARDS, BEZIQUE BOXES, AND BEZIQUE MARKERS, from De La Rue and Co., always in stock.
COOPER & Co., Meadow Street, Bombay.

DE LA RUE & Co.'s NOTEPAPER AND ENVELOPES of the best quality, and different sizes, at
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PHOTOGRAPHIC AND SCRAP ALBUMS of sizes and qualities to be had at
COOPER & Co., Meadow Street, Bombay.

NEW AND STANDARD WORKS, LIGHT LITERATURE, &c., &c., received per weekly Mail Steamers by
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SPARE COPIES OF THE LEADING ENGLISH NEWSPAPERS AND PERIODICALS kept in stock for immediate supply.
COOPER & Co., Meadow Street, Bombay.

DRY PROCESS COPYING INK, per bottle Re. 1-8 and Rs. 2-4.
COOPER & Co., Meadow Street, Bombay.

UNIVERSAL STAIN REMOVER, each Rs. 2-8.
COOPER & Co., Meadow Street, Bombay.

HOPE'S PHOTOGRAPHIC VIEWS in Bombay, Tanna, Matheran, Nassick, Banks of the Godavery, Jubbulpore, Marble Rocks on the Nerbudda, Oodeypore, Bagootans, &c., Size 10 by 8, Re. 1-8 each, or Rs. 15 per dozen. Also a large selection of Card and Cabinet Views and Native Characters, &c., always on hand.
Lists sent on application.
COOPER & Co., Meadow Street, Bombay.

YOUTH'S CHEMICAL CABINETS, containing 60 Chemical Preparation tests and other useful apparatus, entirely free from *danger*, and are admirably adapted for fostering a taste for Chemistry in the youthful mind.
Price in Fancy Paper Case Rs. 7, by post Rs. 8.
„ in Cedar Case with book fastening Rs. 9, by post Rs. 10-8
„ in Stout Mahogany Case, with lock and key, Rs. 12-8, by post Rs. 14-0.
COOPER & Co., Meadow Street, Bombay.

BOY'S OWN LABORATORY, containing 34 Chemical Preparations and 30 pieces of useful apparatus arranged for performing an endless series of instructive and amusing *Experiments in Chemical Magic*, free from *danger*, in stout Mahogany case with lock and key. Price Rs. 17, by post Rs. 19-12.
COOPER & Co., Meadow Street, Bombay.

NOW READY.

AN ETYMOLOGICAL MANUAL for the use of Schools, containing more than 9,000 Derivations from Latin and Greek, New Edition, (4th) printed at the Clarendon Press, Oxford, six thousand, compiled by K. T. Best, M. A. Price Re. 1-12.

HORMUSJEE SORABJEE.
26, Meadow Street.

CHRISTMAS PRESENTATION.
PRICE RUPEES 700,
LARGE GOLD HUNTING WATCH
BY
JAMES McCABE, ROYAL EXCHANGE,
WITH
SOLID 18-CARAT GOLD ALBERT CHAIN.

CHUBB'S BOX & LOCK MART,
47, Parsee Bazaar Street, Fort, Bombay,
ESTABLISHED 1847.

GOPAL NARAYEN AND COMPANY.

NEW BOOKS, (*Reduced Prices.*)

Tara ; by Colonel Meadows Taylor	3 4
Confessions of a Thug ; by Colonel Meadows Taylor	3 4
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Brewster's Letters on Magic	3 4
Johnson's Rambler, 2 vols	3 4
Scott's Novels and Poetical Works, 8 vols	10 8
Baldwin's Large and Small Game of India	10 8
Warren's Diary of a Late Physician	2 8
Ten Thousand a year	2 12
Spencer's Sociology	2 12
Lanahorne's Plutarch's Lives	3 4
Sale's Koran, with Notes	4 4
Lord Lytton's Novels, Pelham	2 12
Boy's Herald, Vol. I, bound, with numerous engravings	3 4
Enquire Within upon Everything (Gilt)	1 12
Do. (Plain)	1 8
Boy's Holiday Book	3 4
Girls' Own Book	3 4
School Days of Eminent Men	2 0
Enfield's Speaker	3 0
Smile's Self Help, Character, and Thrift, each	3 0
Little Boy's Own Book	2 4

GOPAL NARAYEN & Co.
8, Kalbadavie Road, 20th December 1877.

ATMARAM SAGOON & CO.,
KALBADAVIE ROAD, BOMBAY.

NEW BOOKS—TERMS CASH.

	With Postage. Rs. a.
Bow Bells' Illustrated Almanac 1878, Rs. 0-6	0 8
Illustrated London News Almanac 1878, Rs. 0-12	0 15
Chix. Nor. of Tinsley's Magazine, Rs. 0-12	0 15
Do. London Society, Rs. 0-12	0 15
Do. Gentleman's Annual 1877, Rs. 0-12	0 15
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COMMERCIAL INTELLIGENCE

TUESDAY EVENING, 19TH DEC. 1877.

THE continued state of uncertainty at Home and the near approach of the Christmas holidays combine to render business quiet in the extreme, and so far as actual transactions are concerned we have almost had a blank day here.

French Rentes remain unaltered at 108½, but a further decline of ⅛ has taken place in Consols, which were yesterday quoted as 95.

In the London General Produce Markets there was no alteration of any kind; Wheat to arrive was unaltered, and in Seeds the only movements quoted by Reuter were a decline of 3d. in Calcutta Linseed and 1s. per quarter in Bombay ex-Warehouse.

The Manchester Piece Goods Market yesterday was dull at nominally unchanged prices, and Cotton in Liverpool closed dull, supplies freely offered, the day's sales only reaching 7,000 bales. Spot values are quoted as before, but arrivals, according to private advices, were very depressed, good Broach, with the good clause, January-February shipment, via Canal, being given at 5 15 16d. per lb., sellers but no buyers. The receipts at the American ports continue large, and for the moment there is evidently a downward tendency in the market, which is only checked by the particularly strong statistical position.

Yesterday's New York telegram still quotes ready Mid. Uplands at 11¾ cents per lb., but futures are not quoted. The receipts at the American ports to date are as follows:—

	1877.	1876.	1875.
Tuesday's Receipts...	35,000	31,000	32,000
Four ,, ,, ...	118,000	97,000	108,000
Total since 1st Sept.	2,004,000	2,325,000	2,065,000

Bar Silver is quoted by Reuter at 53¾d. per oz., an apparent advance of ¼d.; but private advices report no buyers, and the advance, if such there be, may be taken as merely a disposition on the part of sellers to await the allotment of Council Drafts to-day before doing business. The probability of their deriving any advantage from that quarter, however, is somewhat remote, most people here being of opinion that the result of the tenders will show a further decline in the demand for remittance to this side.

The Directors of the Bank of Bombay at the weekly Board Meeting held this afternoon reduced their rates of discount and interest 1 per cent. all round, bringing their nominal minimum to 5 per cent. So far as actual business is concerned, however, they might almost as well have left their former quotations undisturbed, as it is generally understood that the Bank is open to business at 3 per cent., while in the open market accommodation is obtainable for short fixed periods at 2 per cent.

STERLING EXCHANGE to-day has again been weak, and although their buying rates are the same, the Banks have been much less willing sellers even at a reduction of 1-32d. to fl-16d. per rupee. Next to nothing has been done, both buyers and sellers awaiting news of the Council drawings, but the general anticipation is that to-morrow will see a further drop in rates. We quote on London:—

Bank Bills, on demand	...Rs. 8 21-32d.	per Rupee.
Do. „ 6 months' sight...	...Rs. 9d.	„
Credits „ 3 „	...Rs. 8 15-16d.	„
Documents „ 3 „	...Rs. 9d.	„

On Calcutta we still quote nominally demand drafts at 3 16 per cent. premium, 60 days' sight at ½ per cent. discount.

GOVERNMENT PAPER may be called steady, rates being unaltered, but so far as we have heard there has been no transaction of any importance to-day. Quotations are:—Fours, Rs. 95; Fours-and-a-half, Rs. 95½; Five-and-a-half, Rs. 102½.

The SHARE MARKET, like everything else, is stagnant to a degree and the business done to-day has been quite unimportant. Values are fairly maintained, the only movements which have come to our notice being an advance of Rs. 5 in Colaba Spinning and Weaving and a decline of like extent in Mazagon.

COTTON, so far as export business is concerned, is almost at a standstill. The depressing accounts from Home keep buyers out of the market; while, on the other hand, continued wet weather in the Dumrawulee District, the chief source of our supplies at present, makes sellers rather chary about operating especially in the higher classes. The following are current quotations, but they are to a great extent nominal:—

New Hingunghaut Good Jan. delivery	...	Rs.	217 F. P.
„ Ginned Broach „	„	„	215 „
„ Omra	„	„	206 „
„ „ F. G. F.	„	„	201 „
„ „ G. F.	„	„	196 „

LINSEED is again in slightly better request, but supplies are comparatively large and sellers are disposed to accept easier rates. We quote ready Rs. 6 7 to 6-8, April-May delivery Rs. 6 2 per cwt. nominal. RAPESEED is inactive at Rs 7-12 per cwt; WHEAT firm at Rs. 40 to Rs. 41 per candy for Best White, but there are almost no stocks.

FREIGHTS remain unaltered. For Liverpool by steamer we still quote 25s. per ton for ready shipment, and further forward shippers show little disposition to engage. For the Mediterranean ports some little business has been done at former rates. Sailing vessels are still quite neglected.

PIECE GOODS are, if anything in slightly better request in the Bazaar to-day, but the improvement does not amount to any alteration in prices, nor has the inquiry spread to first hands. The fortnight's shipments from the United Kingdom as advised by Reuter are comparatively light, which is a better sign so far as it goes. Stocks however are so heavy that we could do with almost an entire cessation of fresh supplies for the next month or two.

COALS are unchanged and no new business is reported.

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Banks	No. of Shares.	Nomi. Value p. sh.	Paid up.	Last Dividend.	Cash. Rates per Share.
		Rs.	Rs.	p. a.	
Agra Bank	100,000	100	all	6 p. ct	125
Bank of Bengal	40,000	500	all	6 do.	710
Bank of Bombay	20,000	500	all	12 p. ct	6982
National Bank of India.	10,000	500	all	6 do.	106
Bank of Madras	60,000	250	all	10 do.	665

SPINNING AND WEAVING COMPANIES.

Albert Mills	400	2,000	1,700	..	p.s.	950
Alexandra N. and W. Co.	750	1,250	all	50	p.s*	1,130 xd
Alfred Mills Co.....	250	1,000	1,000	80	p.s.	1,300
Allianse Spinning.....	500	2,500	all	100	p.s.	2,300
Anglo-Indian S. and W. Company	30,000	100	100	..		90
Bhowmaggur M. and P. Company	300	2,000		40	p.s.	1,555
Bombay United.....	900	1,000	all	45	p.s*	1,050
Bombay Hemp and Jute Mill Company.....	2,000	300	all	15	p.s*	255
Broach Mills	1,800	100	all	10	p.s*	115?
Colaba S. and W. Co....	950	1,000	all	40	p.s*	910
Coorla S. and W. Co. ..	1,000	1,000	all	60	p.s*	1,015
Central India S. and W. Company	2,500	500	450	..		635
Dharamsey Spinning ..	3,000	2,000	all	35	p.s*	900
Fleming S. and W. Co..	1,500	1,250	all	50	p.s.	1,410
Great Eastern	1,400	1,000	all	50	p.s*	1,200
Hindustan S. & W. Co.	875	1,000	all	40	p.s.	1,015
Hydrabad S. and W. Co	700	1,000	1,000	..		960
Jewraj Balloo Mills	750	1,000	all	45	p.s*	999
Khandelah Spinning ..	750	1,000	all	60	p.s*	1,205
K. Muconjee S. & W.Co.	1,000	1,000	all	45	p.s*	895
Madras Spinning	300	500	all	Nil		375
Madras U. Spinning....	425	1,000	all	80	p.s*	1,205
Manchester & Bombay S. and W. Co.	30,000	50	50	..		30
Mandvie S. and W. Co..	1,200	500	all	..		363
Manockjee Petit's.....	2,500	1,000	all	60	p.s*	1,310
Morarjee Spinning	1,041	1,000	all	60	p.s*	1,280
Mazagon S. and W. Co..	2,000	5,000	..	..		275
National S. and W. Co. of India.....	950	1,000	all	50	p.s*	950
Nerlad S. and W. Co....	400	1,000	all	..		825
Nicol Press Manufacturing Co.,Ltd.....	600	2,000	all	..		775
Nursey S. and W. Co....	2,500	400	all	20	p.s*	355
Oriental	1,000	625	all	15	p.s*	732½
Princess of Wales Spinning	600	1,250	all	75		1,125
Ramcora S. & W. Co....	1,500	1,000	all	..		870
Soondersdas Spinning ..	680	1,000	all	75	p.s.	875
Do do, 4 Shares	800	200	200	125	p.s.	205
Ishpore S. and W. Co.	500	1,000	all	..		1,000
Victoria Mills	529	1,000	all	40	Rs.	700 xd

*Per Share for the half-year

PRESS COMPANIES.

Akbar Cotton Press Co..	150	5,000	2,850	150	p.s.	1,100
Albert Co., Kurrachee..	200	2,000	1,100	15	do	965
Albert Ginning Co.....	500	500	all	18	p.c.	650
Apollo Press Co.....	750	2,750	2,200	32	p.s.	425
Bellary	175	1,000	all	60		635
Berar Company (New) ..	150	500	all	45	p.s	445
Indian Press Co.....	1,000	350	all	14	do	185
Broach Cotton Co.....	400	250	all	10	do	70
Carwar Co.....	1,000	1,500	all	75	do	600
Colaba Press Co.....	500	1,880	all	170	do	475
Dhollera P. and G. Co..	500	500	all	15	do	220 xd
East India Press Co....	382	1,000	all	100	do	920
Fort Press Co.....	50	8,500	8,250	50	do	975
Yrench Press Co.....	300	500	all	40	do	315
Imperial Press Co.....	1,150	..	1,400	100	do	300
Mofussil Press and Ginning Co.....	125	400	350	40	do	310
Prince of W. Press....	120	..	1,500	250	do	350
Sassoon's Press Co.....	600	500	all	25	do	325
Scinde Press Co.....	400	850	750	60	do	435
Scinde & Punjaub Cotton Press Co., Ltd....	100	1,000	925	150	do	1,040 xd
Victoria Cotton Gin and Press Co.	150	850	all	12	p.c.	600 nl.
Volkart's United Press Co.....	50	1,000	1,000	75	p.s.	500

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RAILWAY COMPANIES.

G. I. P. Railway Consolidated Stock.....	..	£20	218	3 0	5 p.c.	235
Do. New £20 Shares...	..	£20	13	0 14	6 do.	26
Ditto ...	..	£20	6	5 7	3 do.	72
Ditto ...	..	£20	3	1	1	1½ do.	33
Ditto ...	..	£100	1	0	0	do.	1,100
B. B. and C. I. Ry. Co.	..	£100	1	0	0	do.	1,100
Do. New Shares. ...	..	£18	19	6	5	15	do.	240

MISCELLANEOUS.

Bombay Burmah Trading Corporation	1,000	2,500	1,500	20	p.s.	1,950
Bombay Gas Company..	50,000	50	all	7½	p. ct.	85
Bombay Saw Mills Co..	600	1,000	all	60	p. s.	600
Landing and Shipping Co. of Kurrachee, Ld.	550	500	300	36	p. s.	275
Malabar Company, Ld..	1,150	200	100	7½	p. ct.	6½
Mechanical Building Co.	1,000	500	all		p. s.	25
cher and Co.	1,000	500	all	11	p. ct.	540
s atent Slip Co ..	3,000	250	all	6	p. ct.	30

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	Rs.	a.	p.
Coaching	45,446	0	0
Merchandize	1,10,423	0	0
Other Receipts	15,000	0	0
Telegraph	366	0	0
Total Rs.....	1,71,311	0	0

Corresponding week in October 1876. Open 430½ Miles.

	Rs.	a.	p.
Coaching	52,943	0	0
Merchandize	94,496	0	0
Other Receipts	871	0	0
Telegraph	366	0	0
Total Rs.....	1,48,676	0	0
Increase Rs.	22,435	0	0

SHIPPING INTELLIGENCE, AND LISTS OF PASSENGERS BY SEA.

THE BARQUE AGRA, 821 tons, Captain E. Tams, will sail to-day for Rangoon in ballast.

THE SHIP EASTERN BELLE, 1,120 tons, Captain E. Featherstonbough, will sail to-day for Callao in ballast.

THE SHIP BLAIRDOVLE, 1,290 tons, Captain P. McPherson, will sail to-day for Elephant Point in ballast.

THE SHIP COUNTY OF CARNORVAN, 1,270 tons, Captain R. Roberts, will sail to-day for Elephant Point, in ballast.

THE S. S. SHADWAN, 992 tons, Captain J. Kennedy, sailed yesterday for Antwerp, with a cargo of 30,724 cwts. linseed and 5,584½ cwts. rapeseed.

THE BARQUE QUEEN'S CLIFF, 597 tons, Captain J. Davis, arrived in harbour yesterday from Moulmein, Nov. 26th, with a cargo of timber. The vessel is consigned to the Captain.

THE B. S. N. Co.'s S. S. ASSYRIA, 969 tons, Captain C. Henderson, sailed yesterday for London, via Aden, Jeddah, and Hoodeida, with a general cargo and fifty deck passengers.

THE S. S. OONUR, 162 tons, Captain G. J. Baker, sailed yesterday for Coast and Cutch with a general cargo and the following passengers:—Hon. Rao Saheb V. N. Mundlick and family and thirty deck passengers.

THE S. S. LENA, 1,140 tons, Captain H. Pace, arrived in harbour on the 18th instant from Sunderland, Nov. 9th; via Suez Canal, with a cargo of Railway materials. The vessel is consigned to Messrs. McCulloch, Beyts and Co.

THE INDIAN GOVERNMENT S. S. KWANGTUNG, 531 tons, Captain A. Campbell, arrived in harbour yesterday from Aden, Dec. 8th, with one native officer, three rank and file, eleven public and one private follower, four women, and four children.

ARRIVALS.

Dec.	Vessels.	Commanders.	From
18	Lena (s).....	Pace	Sunderland, Nov 9.
19	I G S Kwangtung(s)	Campbell	Aden, Dec 8.
	Queenscliff	Davis	Moulmein, Nov 16.

DEPARTURES.

Dec.	Vessels.	Commanders.	Destination.
19	Dunbriton	Emmett.....	Calcutta.
	Assyrian (s).....	Eeaman	London.
	Shadw (s)	Kennedy	Antwerp.
	Oorun (s)	Baker.....	Cossb and Cutch.

The following vessels obtained their port clearances yesterday:—
Ship Blairdoyle, McPherson, to Elephant Point.
Ship City of Carnarvon, Roberts, to Elephant Point.
Ship Eastern Bell, Featherstonbough, to Callao.
Barque Agra, Toms, to Rangoon.

CALCUTTA.

ARRIVALS.

Dec.		
14	D. of Sutherland(s).Cox	Colombo, Dec 8.
	D. of Argyll (s) .....Vaile	Madras, Dec 11.
	Carisbrooke Castle.Freebody	Algoa Bay, Oct 17.

DEPARTURES.

Dec. 14—Ship Warwick and a ship (showd J H T S), Barque Guinevere. Brig Rio Loge.

MADRAS.

ARRIVALS.

Dec.		
15	El Dorado (s)	Calcutta.
	Suffolk	Natal.
17	Hobart (s)	Coconada.

DEPARTURES.

Nov.		
16	Estepona (s).....	Bombay.
	Rajpootana (s).....	Calcutta.

PASSENGERS SAILED,

Per s s Rajpootana—To Coconada: Mr and Mrs Deane and infant and W A Porter. For Calcutta: B Clarke, Rev and Mrs Lush, Capt Jackson, and Mrs Wright.

DAILY IMPORTS.—DECEMBER 19.

FROM LIVERPOOL.

Italia s—27 packages portwine, Dhunjeebhoy Cowasjee.

FROM LONDON.

Mongolia s—8 cases oilmanstore and currant, Bomanjee Manuckjee Punthuky; 5 cases window glass, Adomjee Jeewanjee: 11 cases cheese, Shurufally Heptoola.
Venetia s—2 cases bacon and 2 cases cheese, Bomanjee Manuckjee Punthuky.
Scotland s—2 cases soap, Noormahomed Hajee Casum; 12 cases glassware, Muncherjee Pallonjee; 1 case stationery, Essajee Jeewanjee; 1 bale paper hanging, Ruch D Fisher and Co; 50 boxes brandy, Nowrojee Ardaseer and Sons.
Agra s—2 cases hardware, Fazulbhoy Moosebhoy Umarn, 200 casks whiting, Momedbhoy Lookmanjee.
Assyria s—2 packages glassware and earthenware, Jamaldhin Shakisaib.

FROM BORDEAUX.

Sumatra s—95 boxes brandy, Nowrojee Ardaseer and Sons.
Union, 100 cases brandy, Nowrojee Ardaseer and Sons.
Esperance, 50 cases brandy, Nowrojee Ardaseer and Sons.

FROM GLASGOW.

Olympia s—10 packages dry whitehead and 160 kegs white zinc paint, Bhicoo Ranba and Co.
India s—5 packages cathenware, Bharmull Bhima.

FROM TRIESTE.

Etore s—20 cases writing papers, Bell, Brandenburg and Co.

DAILY EXPORTS.—DECEMBER 19.

FOR LIVERPOOL.

F W Harris s—26 cwts B horns, Rajun Ajoo; 250 bales cotton, Ralli Brothers; 5 bales hides, Mahomed Allana; 400 cwts wheat, Ahmed Hajee Esas.
Venetia s—450 bales cotton, Peel, Cassels and Co.
City of Baltimore s—787½ cwts myrabollams, Hajee Adom Esmail; 57 bales cotton waste, Heptoola Shaik Adom and Co; 900 bales cotton, W Nicol and Co; 10 bales cotton, Peel Cassels and Co; 75 cwts coir yarn, Curamsee Khetsee and Co; 150 bales cotton, Bhugwandass Jaitha; 100 bale cotton, Jules Siegfried and Co; 1,000 cwts wheat, W and A Graham and Co; 268 bales cotton, Ralli Brothers; 250 cwts myrabollams, Keseowjee Cullianjee; 832 cwts wheat, Kuoop and Co.

FOR LONDON.

Scotland s—7 bales skins, K C Mohidin; 4 bales hides, Jafferbhoy Lilla; 210 cwts oilbaum, Dhurrumsee Veljee: 14 bales hides, Dawoodbhoy Hassam.

FOR HAVRE.

Lady Clare s—400 bales cotton, Gaddum and Co.

FOR MARSEILLES.

Royal Crown s—604 cwts linseed, Ralli Brothers.
Tartar s—4,017 cwts linseed, Ralli Brothers.
H W Atkinson s—1,774 cwts linseed, Knoop and Co.
James Gray s—10,867½ cwts gingellyseed, Ralli Brothers.
Venetia s—2,000 cwts wheat, Ralli Brothers.

FOR TRIESTE.

Etore s—100 bales cotton, Knoop and Co; 400 bales cotton, Gladstone, Wyllie and Co; 200 bales cotton, Peel Cassels and Co.

FOR CALCUTTA.

Ganos s—125 bales cotton, Ramjeedass Luckmidas.

FOR VENICE.

Venetia s—100 bales cotton, Killick, Nixon and Co.

FOR GENOA.

W H Atkinson s—2,003½ cwts linseed, 1,965 cwts rapeseed and 3,015 cwts wheat, Knoop and Co.

FOR HONGKONG.

Mongolia s—81 bales twist, Ahmedbhoy Habibbhoy; 19 bales cotton, Currimbhoy Ebram; 20 bales twist, M M Metha.

FOR SUEZ.

Venetia s—30 packages colongin, Aga Syed Mirja; 3 cases indigo M Saduck Nemsjee

METEOROLOGICAL OBSERVATIONS.

GOVERNMENT OBSERVATORY, COLABA.

BOMBAY, 18th December 1877.

Means of observations taken at 6 a.m., 10 a.m. 2 p.m., 4 p.m. and 10 p.m.

Barometer corrected 32 deg. Fah	29·919
Temperature of the Air.....	80·5
Wet Bulb Thermometer.....	74·7
Dew Point	72·4
Relative humidity of Air	0·769
Extent of cloudy sky (the whole sky clouded= 8).	3·4
Maximum temperature of air (read at 6 p.m).....	84·8
Minimum do. do. (read at 9-30 a.m.)...	75·9
General Direction of wind ...NE, ENE, E, NW, NNW, NNE.	
Movement of wind in 24 hours	230.

HIGH COURT.—DECEMBER 20.

SHORT CAUSES.

722-77—In person—Amadjee Bawa vs Vunmallee Dossa.

LONG CAUSES.

438-77—Macfarlane and G—Sadoojee Vitoojee P vs Dhunjee Cowjee and others—Jefferson and Payne—Part heard.
188-76—Chalk and Walker—Meredith Jones vs Joseph C Lawrence and others—Jefferson and Payne—Part heard.
649-77—Tyabjee and S—Faizulla Khakluni vs Hajee Rahimtoola Hamedia.
661-77—In person—Pandoorung Crustnajee vs Balloo Luxooman Talee—In person.
521-77—Lynch and T—Ebrimjeebhoy Dhunjeebhoy vs Moolebai widow.
279-76—Hearn, C and L—W Loudon vs Jumnabai and another—Tyabjee and S.
515-77—Lynch and T—Govindass Boolakedass and another vs Joxmull Ammutram—J G Cama and Macfarlane and G.
444-71—Tyabjee and S—Rao Saheb Gungadhur Yeshwant vs Manchobai Cullidass—Lynch and T.
428-77—Lynch and T—The Alliance S and W Co vs Dadabhoy Hosungjee—Pestonjee K.

(Appeal Before the Honourable MR JUSTICE BAYLEY and the Honorable MR JUSTICE GREEN.)

401-77—Rimington H and L—Nursingdall Maharaj vs The Rev J Martin and others—Lynch and Tobin.

(Before the Honourable MR. JUSTICE BAYLEY.)

For Investigation under Sec. 493 of Act X. of 1877.
In person—Meghjee Mooljee and another vs Raghowjee Jairaz.

LONG CAUSES.

309-75—Prescot and W—Boolakeedass Lalchund and another vs Bakubai and Nagurdass—Jefferson and P.
398-77—Craigie, L and G—Bai Nahne vs Purmanundass Jeewandass and others—Macfarlane and G, Munshi and Muljee and Bomanjee.

(Before the Honorable MR JUSTICE GREEN.)

In Court.—To be mentioned.

473-77—Lynch and T—Nursey Kesowjee and others vs Dossa Kerpal—Hearn C and L—In Chambers.
331-76—In person—Nanabhoy Gunputrao D vs Dadabhoy Pallonjee C and others—Pestonjee K—Part heard.

In Court.

606-77—Rimington, H and L—Vaeersibai vs Damajee Bapoojee Khunderao M—Part heard.

MILITARY INTELLIGENCE.

ARRIVALS.—DECEMBER 18.

Macdonald, Col, Asst Commissary General, Madras, on Medical Cert, from Secundrabad.
Shaw, Lieut Col, Madras 3rd Infantry, on leave, from Bolarum.

DECEMBER 19.

Giles, Sub Lieut, 19th N I, Bombay, to join, from Poona.
Constant, Vet Surg, on leave, from Ahmedabad.
Turner, Major, Bengal 12th N I, on leave, from Fort William.

DEPARTURES.—DECEMBER 19.

Burnett, Major, Brigade Major, to rejoin, to Poona.
Seawfield, Capt, 19th Lancers, on leave, to Mhow.
Campbell, Lieut, 12th Lancers, on leave, to Mhow.
Sawyer, Lieut, R E, on duty, to Surat.
Cartwright, Sub Inspector, Army Educational Dept, on duty, to Poona.

BOMBAY ARMY ORDERS.

Adjutant General's Office, Head Quarters.
Poona, December 19.

The C-in-C is pleased to make the following appointment:—
12th N I: Lieut C G Whitby, 1-47th Foot, a candidate for the Staff Corps, to officiate as Wing Officer on probation.
With reference to G O C, 24th Oct, the name of Lieut P Low will be substituted for that of Lieut Ward in the List of Officers detailed for duty with the Regimental Depot.
The following is confirmed:—Baroda Station Order dated 13th Dec, appointing Lieut F Stevenson, 20th N I, Station Staff Officer, in addition to his Regimental duties, vice Major Wooldridge.
The undermentioned officers have leave of absence:—
15th Foot—Major R L Dashwood to remain at Mahableshwar from 19th to 18th Jan 1878 in extension on medical certificate.
22nd Foot—Lieut G W H Cunningham to England per Troop ship to appear before a medical board.
83rd Foot—Captain C J Thorburn to England per Troop-ship to appear before a medical board.
Col J A S Faulkner, officiating Commandant 6th N I, to remain at Matheran, from 26th Dec 1877 to 24th Jan 1878, in extension on medical certificate.
Brevet Col T C Crowe, C Brigade R H A, to England per Troop ship to appear before a medical board.
Lt Col E M Finlay, R A, to England per Troop-ship, to appear before a medical board.
Major G A Rimington, R A, to England per Trooship to appear before a medical board.
Major W Strahan R A, to Bombay, for 20 days, on medical certificate.
Captain W F Nelson, R A, to England, per Trooship to appear before a medical board.
Captain F E Bowen, R A, to England per Troopship, to appear before a medical board.
Lieut Col J H Drummond, officiating 2nd in command 1st Grenadiers N I, for 30 days, from the 14th Dec on private affairs.

CALENDAR FOR DEC. 1877.

PHASES OF THE MOON.

Full Moon .....20th, 5h. 42·6m. P.M.
Last Quarter.....27th, 11h. 10·9m. A.M.

Date.	Remarks.	Sun rises. A.M.	Sun sets. P.M.	High Water.	Low Water
		H. M.	H. M.	H. M.	H. M.
Th. 20	.....	6 30	5 26	10 34 m 11 54 a	5 9 m 5 0 a
Fr. 21	.....	6 31	5 26	11 22 m ...	5 50 m 5 44 a
Sat. 22	.....	6 31	5 27	0 30 m 0 11 a	6 32 m 6 29 a
Sun. 23	4th Sunday in Advent.	6 32	5 27	1 12 m 1 2 a	7 18 m 7 15 a
Mon. 24	.....	6 32	5 28	1 51 m 1 55 a	8 1 m 8 3 a
Tues. 25	Christmas Day	6 32	5 28	2 34 m 2 54 a	8 56 m 8 55 a
Wed. 26	.....	6 33	5 29	3 21 m 3 51 a	9 48 m 9 47 a

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NOTICE.

ADMISSIONS to GOVERNMENT HOUSE on the occasion of the CHAPTER of the STAR OF INDIA, to be held there on the 1st January 1878, will be by TICKETS issued from the Office of the Military Secretary to the Viceroy.

ALL PERSONS desiring to attend, other than members of the Orders of the Bath and Star of India, who will be officially present, are requested to apply to the Military Secretary, stating the number of tickets required, and the names of the persons for whom they are asked.

By Command,
G. POMEROY COLLEY, Colonel,
Military Secretary to the Viceroy.
Military Secretary's Office, Calcutta, 15th December 1877.

DOMESTIC OCCURRENCES.

[THE CHARGE FOR NOTIFYING A DOMESTIC OCCURRENCE IS TWO RS. THE ANNOUNCEMENT MUST BE AUTHENTICATED.]

BOMBAY.

BIRTH.

RUSSELL—December 19th, at Malabar Hill, the wife of John Grey Russell, of a son.

OTHER PRESIDENCIES.

BIRTHS.

COOK—December 12th, at Doveton College, Madras, Mrs. Cook of a daughter.
EVANS—December 16th, Madras, the wife of Mr. G. W. W. Evans, of a daughter.
FRYER—December 14th, at Dehra Ghazi Khan, the wife of F. W. Fryer, C. S., of a son.
MACMULLEN—December 13th, at Delhi, the wife of Captain F. MacMullen, Station Staff Officer, of a son.
ROSS—December 9th, at Cachar, the wife of J. Rowan Ross, Esq., of a daughter.

MARRIAGES.

CUMMING—BROOKS—December 8th, at the Methodist Episcopal Church, Kurrachee, by the Rev. D. O. Fox, Mr John Jesse Cumming, second son of the late Mr R F Cumming, of Liverpool, to Miss Susan Brooks, eldest daughter of Mr. E. Brooks, Medical Practitioner.
REID—WRIGHT—December 12th, at Trinity Church, Allahabad, by the Rev. J. Stephenson, D. N. Reid, Esq., of Suddowah, Sarun, to Sara Lilian, youngest daughter of the late Rev. W. Wright, D. C. L., Colchester.
SMITH—BROWN—December 6th, at Rangoon, by the Rev. J. Kerr Bain, Thomas Smith, Esq., Agent, Bank of Bengal, Moulmein, to Agnes Smith, youngest daughter of Andrew Brown, Esq., Glasgow.

DEATHS.

DRUMMOND—December 14th, at Cannanore, H. P. Drummond, of Coorg, in his 31st year.
JEFFERY—November 29th, on board the s. s. Duke of Argyle, off Madras, Francis Hubert Morte, youngest child of Christiana Elizabeth and John Jeffery, Bengal Civil Service, aged 4 months.
MARTEN—December 15th, at Seebpore, George Donaldson, the beloved child of George and Elizabeth Marten, aged 15 months.
WILSON—December 15th, at Madras, the infant son of W. H. Wilson, aged 6 weeks.

All MONEY ORDERS, CHEQUES, and other Remittance, sent to this office should be made payable to "Proprietor of the *Bombay Gazette*."

The Bombay Gazette

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 20, 1877.

THE intelligence we print to-day as to the summoning together of Parliament a month hence to provide the means of increasing the British army removes any doubts that may still have been entertained regarding the intentions of Her Majesty's Government. The fatal reality of the Triple Alliance for the dismemberment of the Turkish Empire is at last understood in England, and Lord Beaconsfield's Ministry proposes that the English nation shall go to war single-handed to prevent Russia, Germany, and Austria from executing their nefarious design. It remains, however, to be seen if Parliament and the country will sanction what many Englishmen will look upon as a desperate enterprise.

Since writing the above, we hear from a well-informed source, by the Mail which arrived last night, that it is regarded as almost certain that there will be a single-handed peace. The Triple Alliance is working all its arrangements to exclude England for having snubbed the Alliance more frequently than the public are aware of—notably the rejection of the Berlin memorandum.

WE publish this morning an important official announcement regarding the intention of the Finance Minister to bring forward in the Legislative Council of India next week an anticipatory Budget, with the view of providing at once the ways and means of meeting the extraordinary expenditure incurred on account of Famine relief. We may assume, now, that the amount to be made good on this account will not exceed five millions sterling, which would be reduced to 2½ millions if the short dated bills issued by the Secretary of State in London were renewed and made permanent; but the fact that it is thought necessary by the Government of India to make a financial statement now would seem to indicate an intention on their part to raise this balance at any rate by means of fresh taxation, or, which comes to the same thing, by having recourse to the decentralization trick which Sir John Strachey has practised so successfully on former occasions. If it were intended to borrow money in order to cover the cost of the Famine, the annual cost on account of interest would be so insignificant that the arrangement of the matter might be postponed without inconvenience till next April. We can give no clue to what will be proposed, except that we think it by no means unlikely that there will be an income tax, while it seems certain that an excise duty will be levied on cotton yarn made in India. It has been pointed out to us that in our estimate of the probable yield of this duty we made no allowance the other day for the quantity of Indian yarn exported on which the duty would have to be remitted; and that, on the other hand, we did not take into account the revenue that would be derived from a duty on hand-made yarns, which, it is said, must of course be taxed along with those manufactured in the mills, and which are estimated to amount to nearly two-fifths of the whole Indian consumption. But it is obvious that a duty on yarn spun by the country people in their own cottages would not be worth the excessive trouble of collecting, while the imposition of such a duty would create wide-spread discontent amongst the already too heavily taxed agricultural class. Why does not the Government try a tobacco duty, or a tax on betelnut, an article of luxury of universal use which was one of the Government monopolies, along with salt, tobacco, and opium, when Clive conquered Bengal?

WE have already noticed at some length Mr. Campbell's Gazetteer of the Surat and Broach Districts. It only remains that we should complete our original plan by adding a few words to our review of the historical portion of the volume. Every one who has visited Surat must have been struck with the half-deserted appearance of many of its streets. The pedestrian has only to turn aside from the broad and handsome roads which, thanks to the energy of an indefatigable Collector, now lead through the chief business quarters of the town, and he will find every second house either uninhabited or in hopeless ruins. The ravages of fire and flood, aided by the destructive genius of man, have committed sad havoc in a city which is said to have contained, at the end of last century, a population nearly eight times as large as that which now inhabits it. Sacked by the Mussulmans under Kutb-ud-din in 1194, and under Muhammad Toghlak in 1357—thrice burned by the Portuguese during the first half of the sixteenth century—taken by Akbar, after a six weeks' siege, in 1573—plundered by Bahadur, the last Mussulman King of Ahmedabad, in 1610—Surat, up till the beginning of the English period, had a strange and eventful history. Yet none of these vicissitudes of war seem to have affected the prosperity of the city so much as subsequent events. The local trade received a powerful impetus, during the early part of the seventeenth century, from the active competition among the rival European merchants,—the Portuguese factory having been established in 1611, the English in 1612, the Dutch in 1618, and the French in 1623. During this period the progress of the city was very marked. "By land,"

LATEST INTELLIGENCE.

[REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.]

(*By Red Sea Cable.*)

THE EASTERN QUESTION.

LONDON, Dec. 19.

The *Globe* publishes a rumour that Parliament will meet on the 17th January next because of the critical situation of affairs in the East.

SERVIA AND TURKEY.

Prince Milan, of Servia, has arrived at Alexinatz.

THE OPENING OF PARLIAMENT IN JANUARY.

LONDON, Dec. 19.

The statement made in the *Globe*, that Parliament will open on the 17th January, owing to the critical condition of affairs in the East, is confirmed.

The *Standard* of to-day states that the Ministry will then propose that an increase be made to the British Army.

The other Conservative journals in discussing the situation say that it is not Russian victories over the Turks, but the support which both the Austrian and German Governments are lending to Russia, which is the real danger to British interests.

MILITARY APPOINTMENT.

Lieut.-General Sir H. P. De Bathe has been appointed Colonel of the 89th (Princess Victoria's) Regiment.

STEAMER MOVEMENTS.

LIVERPOOL, Dec. 18.

The Anchor Line Steamer Europa arrived here yesterday from Bombay.

LONDON, Dec. 18, Aft.

The Liverpool Cotton Market to-day closed dull, with supplies freely offered. Sarats dull, with supplies freely offered.

The London Cotton Market to-day closed flat.

Fair Dhollera	7 7/16d.
3 per cent. Consols for Account	95
5 per cent. French Rentes	108½
Exchange on India 63 days sight ..	1-8¾d.
4 per cent. Government Securities ..	81½
4½ per cent. do. ..	82
6% per cent. do. ..	89

The Manchester Market has been dull.

7 lbs. Shirtings	6
8½ lbs. do.	7-3
40s Mule Twist	10½

Europa has arrived from Bombay.

Morsy and Efficient have left for Bombay.

RATES OF EXCHANGE ON LONDON.

Bank Bills on demand	1s. 821-32d.	per Rupee.
Do. 6 months' sight..	1s. 9d.	,,
Credits, ,, 3 ,, ,, ...	1s. 8 15-16d.	,,
Documents, 3 ,, ,, ...	1s. 9d.	,,

THE FAMINE EXPENDITURE.—SPECIAL BUDGET STATEMENT OF SIR JOHN STRACHEY.

We hear by telegraph from Calcutta that the next meeting of the Legislative Council will take place on Thursday next, the 27th instant, when Sir John Strachey will take the opportunity of stating what the Government of India intend to propose to meet the great Famine expenditure, past and present. It is deemed desirable to place this information at once before the public instead of waiting until the usual Budget period in April.

THE VICEREGAL LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

We learn by telegraph that the several bills that were before the Viceregal Legislative Council were advanced a stage yesterday. The Hon'ble Messrs. Paul and Morgan took their seats and were appointed to Select Committees. At the close of the Council H. E. the Viceroy announced that at the next meeting to be held on Thursday, the 27th inst., the Hon'ble Sir J. Strachey would lay before the Council and fully explain the measures which Government propose to take to provide for the expenditure on the Famine. The subject was one of such vital importance that it was deemed desirable to take the earliest opportunity of submitting those measures, instead of postponing the announcement of them to the end of the financial year.

BAD WEATHER ON THE MADRAS COAST.

We learn by telegraph from Madras that during the past fortnight a continuance of exceptionally severe weather has been experienced along the coast from Negapatam to Paumben, and from Paumben westwards. The Railway is breached in many places between Trichinopoly and Tuticorin, and the country from Negapatam to Paumben, and between Paumben and Madura is stated to be under water and all the roads washed away. The telegraph lines have been seriously damaged and communication with Ceylon is temporarily cut off. Every effort is being made to hasten communication, and the local telegraph officer reports that he hopes to effect temporary repairs by the 22nd instant.

THE FRONTIER WAR.

A reconnoissance in force was made on the 18th inst. by General Ross's force to examine the country beyond Bori. Further military operations are being discussed, as it is believed the Jowakis will not accept the Government terms except under extreme pressure.

In our leading article of yesterday Sir Richard Temple was spoken of as having been in January last Governor Designate of *Bengal*. It should have been, of course, Governor Designate of *Bombay*.

At a meeting of the Senate held yesterday, Professor Peterson was, on the motion of the Vice-Chancellor, seconded by Professor Bedarkar, appointed Registrar of the University of Bombay. Mr. Martin Wood's name was proposed and seconded, but was afterwards withdrawn, and Mr. Peterson was elected unanimously. For the last six months Mr. Peterson has been officiating Registrar, and, as he has personal experience of the working of both the Scotch and English Universities, having been educated at Edinburgh and Oxford, he is excellently qualified to fill such an office.

The Bank of Bombay yesterday reduced its rates of interest and discount one per cent. all round.

Sir Richard Temple's movements are reported in the following letter dated Sukkur, 14th December, published in the *Beacon*: "H E. the Governor arrived here and was received by the Municipal Corporation on Tuesday; on Wednesday he received a visit from H. H. Mir Ali Murad of Khyrpoor and returned the visit on the same day, and spent a part of the day in Shikarpoor and Kandahar places. Yesterday his Excellency inspected the Eastern Narra Canal. To-day Sir Richard Temple went by special train to inspect the line on the Ghotki division, and took tiffin at Punnos. The Engineer-in-Chief arrived by special train at His Excellency's invitation. The Governor returns to-day and leaves for Shikarpoor in the afternoon, whence he will leave finally by special train for Mooltan."

We learn by telegraph that the decrease on the Madras famine relief works is 50,000 souls; the number still remaining is about 475,000. Prices are falling and a fair quantity of rain is reported from Ganjam.

We hear from Belgaum, under date the 16th inst., that there had been a tremendous downfall of rain at that station on the 12th, and the weather was getting much cooler and was very pleasant. The Royal Fusiliers had just received their Henri-Martini rifles—better late than never.

We hear that the steamer Quangtung of H. M.'s Indian Marine, which arrived in harbour yesterday, while on her passage to this port from Aden, met with exceedingly rainy weather for several days, such as usually characterises the monsoon.

We learn that the Mail cart carrying the English mails was accidentally thrown into the Indus on the 18th inst. while crossing the bridge of boats at Attock, and has not yet been recovered.

We hear that a detachment of the troops brought out by the Jumna, and the first despatch from Bombay for the N.-W. Provinces, is detained at Jubbulpore on account of one or two cases of cholera having occurred in the next camp there on the 14th inst.

Some clue seems to have been at last obtained to the perpetrator of the numerous robberies that have lately taken place on the Jubbulpore line. A guard named Vinall has been arrested, and a quantity of stolen property, some of which was stolen eight months ago, was found in his house. Vinal pleaded guilty before the Magistrate, and has been committed to the sessions.

We hear there is to be a court of inquiry on the native doctor who neglected to tie up Captain Swiney's arm when wounded.

Lieutenant-General Sir A. Taylor, Officiating Inspector-General of Military Works, has been granted leave for sixty days from the 20th of January next, and will proceed home after inspecting the defences at Aden. Colonel L. Russell will officiate as Inspector-General, in addition to his own duties as Deputy Inspector, during Sir A. Taylor's absence.

The memory of the ceremony of January last at Delhi will never die if poetry can preserve it. Mr. E. B. Eastwick, C.B., is engaged upon a work to commemorate the proclamation, in which will be comprehended the Kaisar Nawab-i-Hind, or "Lay of the Empress," a poem about the length of *Childe Harold*, containing the titles and genealogy of each native prince who was present there. The Queen has sanctioned the dedication of the work to herself.

The following Madras *Gazette Extraordinary* has been published:—"His Grace the Governor having appointed 4-30 p.m., on Tuesday, the 1st January next, for the delivery, in public Durbar of the Insignia of a Knight Grand Commander of the most exalted order of the Star of India, to His Highness the Prince of Arcot, G.C.S.I., and for the delivery of the Insignia of a Companion of the said order, to the Raja of Kalahasti, C.S.I., George Thornhill, Esq., C.S.I., and Seshaya Sastri Garu, C.S.I., respectively—all officers, Civil and Military, of Her Majesty's service, on duty at the Presidency, are directed to attend at the Banqueting House, at the hour named. Gentlemen, European and Native residents at Madras, are invited to be present. Seats will be specially provided for ladies desirous of seeing the ceremonial. His Grace the Governor is further pleased to notify that the Nawab of Banganapalli, C.S.I., will on the same day, receive the Insignia of his rank in the aforesaid order, at his own residence, through the Political Agent, the Collector of Kurnool."

The following order was issued by the Madras Government on the 29th ultimo:—"Having regard to the large reduction which has taken place in the numbers on relief and the improving prospects of the distressed districts, His Grace the Governor in Council considers that there is no longer any necessity for permitting the entertainment, by local officers of any department, of any further establishments; and directs that, after the 30th instant, no further establishments be entertained without the express sanction of Government previously obtained. The time has also come when a considerable reduction of establishments, entertained on famine account, can safely be made in many districts. The Governor in Council desires that Collectors will report, in addition to the particulars called for on 12th instant, what reduction they consider they can now make in their famine establishments, and what reductions they consider they can safely effect during the month of December, or at a later date. In reporting on this matter they will understand that the supervising or inspecting staff should be retained to the last, as, without their presence, real distress may be unrelieved or abuses rapidly creep in."

The latest news from Khandahar states that the city is very quiet and prosperous under the rule of Mirafzul Khan, the Governor, and Sirdar Ali Khan, the Commander-in-Chief, who also has charge of the police of Kandahar. The brother of Fatteh Khan, the deposed Governor of Kandahar, joined Yakub Khan with a large number of influential Sirdars and Raises, to petition the Amir for the examination of Fatteh Khan's accounts, which examination would (it was alleged) clear him of the charges on which he was deposed. Fatteh Khan has accordingly been released from the prison at Khandahar, and allowed to proceed to Kabul with this view. The Mustaphi Habibullah Khan and his friends lately collected at the Amir's request 20 lakhs of rupees for the purposes of *jehad* and presented them to the Amir. The Amir expressed himself much pleased, and said that the money should be returned to the Mustaphi if not spent on the purposes for which it was collected. It was at first rumoured that Sherdil Khan was to go to Constantinople as an Envoy from the Amir, but it is now understood that Kazi Mir Abdul Rahman Khan, the brother of the Kazi of Kabul, will go instead of Sherdil Khan.

The Calcutta Trades Association has addressed the Government of India on the subject of the new Stamp Bill as follows:—"The Committee have with great interest the report of the Select Committee on the Bill, and the speech of the Hon'ble Mr. Cockerell, as published in the *Gazette* of the 20th ultimo, but they are unable to admit the justice of the conclusion arrived at by the former in regard to the particular matter embraced by this section. Under the present law all receipts for payments under twenty rupees are exempted from duty, but it is now proposed to reduce the limit of exemption by one half, in respect to which the Select Committee state that "the payment of one anna stamp duty can hardly be considered an oppression in in such cases." The Committee, I am to state, cannot coincide in this opinion. They consider that the duty will be too great a tax on small transactions; and as it will fall chiefly, if not wholly, on the trading classes throughout the country, who already bear their full share of taxation, the Committee cannot regard it as other than oppressive. Under the English Stamp Act the limit upon which a receipt stamp is required is £2. The Committee are not aware of anything in the circumstances of this country to justify a reduction of the limit to one half. In his remarks on the Bill the honourable gentleman, above referred to describes certain of its provisions as "offensive," and involving "a direct attack on the pocket of the tax-payer." The Committee submit that the provision in question, not only comes within the description, but is also condemned thereby. They are aware that one of the declared objects of the Bill is to secure an increase of the revenue, but they feel assured that it cannot be the intention of the Legislature to attain that object by inflicting a hardship on any single class, and they would, therefore, respectfully solicit that His Excellency the Viceroy in Council will be pleased to permit the present law in regard to stamp duty on receipts to remain unaltered."

Indian Daily News:—Legislative enactments are often passed to remain dead letters, and the Servant and Master's Act promises to be one of this class. The Act is not needed, in any way; what was needed was that a careful body of rules on the subject should be drawn up and acted on in large military cantonments. The registration of servants under the act is voluntary—that is, it lies with the local Government to decide if, and where these provisions shall be enforced, and we may expect to see them adopted in military stations only. It is not likely that for any law certain people will cease to habitually fine their servants, and servants are too much accustomed to the state of things to object. In military stations the law may prove useful, both as a check on rascally servants and on bad treatment by masters. It will be satisfactory also, that the Cantonment Magistrate should be able to decide cases between servant and master on defined principles and not according to his own particular ideas. But in the mofussil the Act is certain to be a dead letter, and probably even unknown to the servants. We distrust on the face of it the fact of the applicability to India of law made up of scraps of the New York, Prussian, and other Codes. We have had too much law by half on public matters lately: and if the Legislative Council means to concern itself much with domestic relations, the little kindliness which does still exist between Europeans and Natives is likely to disappear entirely.

The *Witchall Review*:—Some surprise has been caused in Roman Catholic Society by the fact that the Queen's name did not appear in the list of those who sent wedding-gifts to the Duke and Duchess of Norfolk. Her Majesty, as all who know anything about the Court are well aware, is kindness itself where those with whom she is acquainted are concerned; and this being so it is all the more extraordinary that nothing from the Queen's generous hand graces the bridal boudoir. In another sense this act of omission is most unfortunate, because this unreflecting portion of the Roman Catholic community will be prone to consider that Her Majesty held aloof on this occasion on account of the creed of the Duke and Duchess of Norfolk. But regarded from any point of view, the Roman Catholics have been and feel themselves slighted by the Sovereign's non-recognition of the marriage of the Earl Marshal and premier peer of England with a lady who bears a name as old as the Norman Conquest.

THE MATRICULATION EXAMINATION.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "BOMBAY GAZETTE."

Sir,—A respectful appeal, to the estimable body of the examiners in general and to the examiner in arithmetic in particular, based on rational and cogent grounds, will, I trust, be not deemed out of time or place. The test in writing to dictation which is imposed upon the candidates, though highly desirable in theory, proves equally disastrous in its practical operation. Hindoo students who come up from remote mofussil towns where they seldom see an Englishman in flesh and blood, and much less speak to him or are spoken to by him, are suddenly brought, and that at a most critical moment, face to face with him, and are lost in amazement at the wide discrepancy existing between pure English undefiled as pronounced by his lips and by the lips of their possibly obsolete and effete Maratha tutors. College professors complain year after year of the utter inability of Hindoo students from the mofussil to follow the English of their lectures; and when this happens even after the students have had considerable experience of the ways of their teachers, it may be imagined what drawback, what disability, they must labour under when brought into contact for examination purposes for the first time perhaps in their lives with genuine English modes of pronounciation and accentuation, some allowance, therefore, on this score is highly desirable, nay absolutely necessary, under the circumstances.

Again, it is notorious that the arithmetic paper this year was unparalleled in its severity in the history of the University. With all deference to him, the examiner published his standard, I must say, most extravagantly high, either under instructions from the syndicate or in obedience to the dictates of his own individual conception of the requirements of the candidates. But the former supposition does not seem to be a probable one, for if the Syndics had desired increased severity in mathematics the severity would have been extended to all the three branches embraced by the subject. But the case was otherwise, as the Algebra and Euclid papers were of ordinary difficulty. Then for the first time it was notified that a departure from the usual method of estimating proficiency in mathematics would be made this year—that is, that instead of adding up the marks on the three papers, a separate minimum in each paper would be insisted on. This innovation was scarcely fair, as it was announced to the candidates for the first time as they took their papers from the examiner, and on these grounds, I repeat, some exercise of leniency to the poor candidates will be a just and commendable act of generosity. And I do not stand alone in this opinion, as I know it to be the consensus of the opinions of schoolmasters and of men interested and experienced in educational work. No sensible man objects, as you have ably pointed out, to a gradual and progressive elevation of the standard of the Matriculation Examination; what is earnestly deprecated is the hysteric, spasmodic enhancement of it in one paper or another that has become almost a chronic vice of the University, an element of great disturbance to its successful working, and a source of perennial embarassment to teachers and taught alike.

A CANDIDATE.

EVIDENCE OF ACCUSED PERSONS.

(*Statesman.*)

A friend writes to us from the other side of India, to correct our statement that it is a defect in English criminal procedure that an accused person is not allowed to give evidence in his own behalf:—

Under section 193 of the Criminal Procedure Code (which by section 214 applies to warrant as well as committal cases, summons cases being governed by section 206) a magistrate is entitled to examine the accused, and (at least in the Presidency) the practice is to take this permission to ascertain the accused's version of the matter at issue. Under section 250, the Court of Session has the same power, and besides is bound ("shall") "question him generally on the case, after the witnesses for the prosecution have been examined." By section 61 of the High Courts Criminal Procedure Code (Act of 1875) the Court may examine the accused, but is not bound to do so.

All this is irrespective of the sections which prescribe the procedure to be followed in hearing the defence. I do not go into this, as where English law has influence, these sections may be construed as applying merely to the ordinary procedure of the accused, or of counsel only where he defends himself. But the Indian law most distinctly everywhere contemplates "opening the prisoner's mouth" so as to allow him to let the court know what his story is. And having had considerable experience in magisterial work, I confidently say that no magistrate who wishes to get at the truth, will omit to examine the accused in order to learn his story. What civilians in Bengal may do, I know not. The Court of Sessions is obliged to examine the accused. And I think that the omission of this obligation in the High Courts Act, is a relic of English law, and that Indian law should be judged in this point by the mofussil law. You ask "what a prisoner can do, as to showing himself innocent." I am sure that he may have everything in the way of counsel, etc., that he has in England, *plus* the privilege denied in England of being allowed to have his say like any other witness—that is, it is the practice to let him have it in Magistrate's Courts, and he *must* have it in Sessions Court.

TO-NIGHT'S CONCERT.

At the Church parade on Sunday last, Colonel Sexton reminded the Volunteers that Madame Tasca was to give her benefit Concert to-night, and he said, that as she had given the whole of the realizations of one of her Concerts for the benefit of their band, he hoped they would give her their hearty support on this occasion. A sense of gratitude on the part of the Volunteers will no doubt produce the effect hoped for by their popular Colonel. Our particular duty, however, is to point out that Madame Tasca has provided for this evening a programme and a *corps* of executants that claim, for their artistic merit alone, the support of all who have an ear for music's charms, and who can appreciate the judiciously varied and discriminating selections always provided by Madame Tasca. A delightful entertainment we are sure it will prove to be.

BOMBAY.

Programme of Music to be played by the Band of H. E. the Governor at the Victoria Gardens this evening, commencing at 5-30 p. m.:—

Overture	Concert	Titl.
Selection	Soldaten Lieder	Donizetti.
Valse	Soldaten Lieder	Gung'l.
Selection	Il Trovatore	Verdi.
Selection	Les Huguenots	Meyerbeer.
Galop	Bon Soir	Leccqi.
		Godfrey.

GOD SAVE THE QUEEN.

Theft of Grain.—A Hindoo, named Morarjee Dharsee, a grain merchant, was yesterday charged before Mr. W. Webb, at the instance of the G. I. P. R. Police, with stealing twenty-four bags of grain from the goods yard of the Bores Bunder station. The witnesses for the prosecution were examined, and the case adjourned for further hearing till to-morrow (Friday).

Theft of Pearls.—Yesterday, at the Fort Police Court, a Hindoo, named Bircolal Bhimraj, and three others, were charged before Mr. W. Webb, prisoner No. 1 with stealing seven pearls, valued at Rs. 40, the property of Moosa Abdool Latif, a pearl merchant, and the other three with abetment of the offence. Upon the evidence adduced prisoner No. 1 was convicted and sentenced to three months' rigorous imprisonment and the rest were discharged.

The University Examinations.—The Bhugwandass Purshotumdass Sanskrit Scholarship, of the value of Rs. 400 per annum, has been awarded to Dhondu Hari Agase, of Elphinstone College. The James Barkley Prize of Books on Civil and Mechanical Engineering, of the value of Rs. 150, has been awarded to Sadashiv Ramchandra Bhagvat, of the Poona Civil Engineering College. The Merwanjee Framjee Panday Scholarship, of the value of Rs. 20 a month, has been awarded to C. Antonio Rebeiro, for passing the L. C. E. Examination with the highest number of marks in Civil and Engineering." The Ellis Scholarship, of the value of Rs. 25 per month, tenable for one year, has been awarded to Dayaram Gidumal Shahani of Elphinstone College. The James Taylor Prize, consisting of books of the value of Rs. 100, has been awarded to Dayaram Gidumal Shahani, of Elphinstone College. The Bhau Daji Prize consisting of books of the value of Rs. 100, has been awarded to Vaman Shivram Apte, of Deccan College.

Depot for night-soil.—A correspondent sends us the following communication:—A large proportion of the European residents in the Fort will doubtless be a little surprised to learn that a depot for night-soil has been established in the Fort nearly opposite to the offices of Messrs. Ewart, Latham and Co. and Messrs. King, King and Co.; so far only one bin (so-called dust bin) has been erected, but as up to the flood evening that bin was full to overflowing, and the road near it for some distance strewn with the refuse of cook-rooms, human excrement concealed in stable litter, and garbage in all stages of decomposition, it is evident that a number of bins should be erected at once, so that foot passengers in addition to being almost poisoned by the foetid atmosphere which pervades the locality, may not carry with them to their residences portions of the filth through which they have had to wade. I believe that there are a number of European residents near this night-soil depot, and however they could have allowed it to remain there for a single day is beyond my understanding. I, however, as one of the public who has repeatedly to pass the spot bring the matter to the notice of the Health Officer and to the notice of the Municipal Commissioner, that the nuisance complained of may be removed before serious consequences ensue to the health of the neighbourhood."

Harvest Prospects.—The crops at Serol, Poorundhur, and the neighbouring villages are flourishing. The harvest is now being cut down so rapidly that coolies can hardly be had to do the work. The relief-sheds opened in our neighbourhood in August last on account of the famine are now closed as there is no further need for them.—*Deccan Herald.*

The Head-Quarters of the Bombay Army.—We learn upon good authority that the head-quarters of the Bombay Army will not be established this season at Mahableshwar but will go to Matheran instead. One of the reasons for this change is that Mahableshwar is too far off from Bombay at the present time and another is that Matheran has more of the sea breeze. Arrangements are already being made for the accommodation of H. E. the Commander-in-Chief and Staff, and several bungalows have been taken by them for the season. The shifting of Army Head-quarters to Matheran will be a great boon to that station and will enhance the value of property there. It is said that His Excellency the Governor will also visit Mahableshwar, but nothing has been decided about where His Excellency will go for the whole hot weather—*Id.*

The Volunteers.—We understand that Captain Leckie, the Commandant of the Poona Volunteers, has placed himself in communication with the Adjutant of the Bombay Volunteer corps with a view to establishing the affiliation of the two corps, for the consideration of which a meeting was convened by the officers of the latter, when it was unanimously resolved to countenance the proposition favourably pending the sanction of Government. Captain Leckie was communicated with to that effect.—*Poona Observer.*

INSOLVENT DEBTORS' COURT.

The Hon'ble Mr. Justice Bayley presided at a sitting of the Court yesterday, when the following among other matters were heard:—

RE SUNDERDAS JAIRAM.

Mr. Budroodin applied on behalf of the insolvent for leave to serve notices to the creditors. The application was granted.

RE ASSARIA LUDHA.

Mr. Ardasir Kapadia made a similar application on behalf of the insolvent in this case, and it was granted accordingly.

RE BURJORJEE MUNCHERJEE WADIA.

Mr. Dhurundhur for the insolvent applied for a final discharge in the nature of a certificate. A rule *nisi* was granted on 20th December 1876, and all its requirements had been complied with. The application was granted.

RE WALTER RALEIGH FLOWDEN.

Mr. Nusserwanjee Cama, on behalf of the insolvent, applied for an interim order. The application was not opposed, and his Lordship granted an interim order for four months.

RE BYRAMJEE FRAMJEE MEHTA.

Mr. Budroodin, for the insolvent, said that on the last Court day insolvent was granted a discharge in the usual way without any opposition. He was then unable to make himself understood by the Court, for what he really wanted was to get his petition dismissed. The order of discharge had not yet been drawn up, the opposing creditor himself appeared to consent to the present application, which was more for the benefit of the creditors than of the insolvent, and the learned counsel therefore asked his Lordship to substitute for the order of discharge an order dismissing the petition.

His Lordship said the matter was *res judicata*, and the order having been passed, he should like to know the authority under which he could cancel it.

Mr. Budroodin said the present application was something like this—supposing that in a civil suit his Lordship had made a decree for the plaintiff, and the plaintiff and defendant thereafter appeared and applied to have the suit dismissed, his Lordship would grant the application.

His Lordship said he should surely refuse it. Counsel sometimes made such an application, but his Lordship never granted it, because it would be directly against the provisions of the Code. In the present matter, Mr. Budroodin had not a leg to stand upon. His client had made no affidavit as to what occurred at the previous sitting, and the application must be refused.

RE FRAMJEE RUSTOMJEE WADIA AND ANOTHER.

Mr. Budroodin asked for an extension of the interim order granted to the insolvents.

His Lordship said the practice of renewing interim orders had been abused in several cases. The other day an insolvent appeared to have obtained extensions of his order about a dozen times and to have done nothing for two years. It was his Lordship's determination to put down the practice. He declined to grant an extension in this case, insolvents had already had an order for six months; and the refusal of the present application would indicate them to use greater diligence. The application was accordingly refused.

PETITIONS DISMISSED.

The petitions of the undermentioned insolvents were dismissed for want of prosecution:—Hajee Osman Ahmed, Hajee Aboo Baker Ahmed, and Hajee Joosub Hajee Jooma.

DISCHARGES.

In the course of the day discharges were granted to several insolvents, whose names and liabilities are as follow:—Maneckjee Dosabhoy Mama, Rs. 3,538. Bamchunder Soonderjee, an English writer, Rs. 949. Shaik Ismail Shaik Ebajee, a merchant, Rs. 772. Joosub Mir Mahomed, a dyer, Rs. 1,536. Bomonjee Hormusjee Shroff, a clerk, Rs. 1,167. Vurdman Poonsey, a clerk, Rs. 1,076. Kessow Venayek, a milkman, Rs. 1,538. Anandrao Gunput Dewadkur, a peon, Rs. 1,093. Sonabai, a courtezan, Rs. 1,875. Ramchunder Govind, a Government pensioner, Rs. 1,478. Sorabjee Rustomjee Daroovalla, a merchant, Rs. 1,163. Shaik Ibrahim bin Shaik Bapu Saheb, a merchant, Rs. 977. Moogtibai, a weaver, Rs. 1,776. Catherine de Costa Rs. 344. Sambhoy Sakurjee, a jemadar, Rs. 2,296.

THE IMPROVEMENT OF WOMEN.

Baboo Protab Chunder Mozzandar delivered a lecture on the above subject at the Framjee Cowasjee Institute on Tuesday, the 11th instant, before a large and influential gathering of native gentlemen invited by the National Indian Association. There was also a sprinkling of European ladies and gentlemen, and a few native ladies occupied the gallery of the Hall. On the motion of Mr. Framjee Cowasjee Banaji, seconded by Mr. Cursetjee Manegeer Tarachund, Mr. Nanabhoy Byramjee Jeejeebhoy was called to the chair. The chairman introduced the lecturer to the assembly in a short speech, in the course of which he admitted that though a good education had been undertaken in this Presidency a long time since, it was yet, as it were, in its infancy, and much still remained to be done. Mr. Nanabhoy thought that Bombay ought to be thankful to the native agency for many of the experienced lecturers amongst us in order to lay before us the results of their labours of years in Bengal to ameliorate and improve the condition of the women of this country, and to stimulate us in the paths of social reform and political advancement. Baboo Mozzandar then spoke of the subtle influence of the fair sex on the "lords of the creation," and the social good they are capable of doing. The Baboo said he was an advocate for giving the women of this country the freedom which they now deserved, and the time had very strong language the promiscuous and indiscriminate mixing of the sexes which some so-called reformers are for introducing in this country because, he observed, there were not in native society those gross evils which control European society. He said that though the Zenana was not so horrible a place as it was often painted, he could not help confessing that an English home was very different from a native home, and that native ladies must therefore be taught the way of rendering their homes happy and agreeable to their male relatives, as their English sisters did. The Baboo entreated English ladies to mix whenever they can with their native sisters, as they are capable of doing much good to the latter by their good example. At present native ladies were either too bashful or too forward, and though it was desirable that they should lay aside some of their bashfulness it was by no means desirable that they should curtail their modesty, for, observed the Baboo, if a Hindoo lady were not modest she ceased to be a Hindoo lady. Altogether the lecture fully merited the enthusiastic applause with which it was again and again greeted.

THE BOMBAY LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

The Bombay Legislative Council met ye sterday in the Secretariat. In the absence of H. E. the Governor, the Hon. Mr. Gibbs, the Senior Civil Member of the Council, presided, and the other members present were the Hon. S. SirCharles Staveley, K.C.B., L. R. Ashburner, C.S.I., the Advocate General (Mr. Marriott), E. W. Ravenscroft, C. S. I., Rao Sahib V. N. Mandlik C. S. I., Nawoda Mahomed Ali Rogay, Walter Lang, and Dosabhoy Framjee, C.S. I.

The following papers were presented to the Council:—

1. Report of the Select Committee on the Bill to amend the Municipal Act of 1872 and to continue the same as so amended.

2. The recommendation of the Town Council as regards alterations in and additions to the Bombay Municipal Act Amendment Bill.

THE NEW MUNICIPAL BILL.

The President moved the second reading of Bill No. 6 of 1877,—a Bill to amend the Bombay Municipal Act of 1872, and to continue the same as so amended. Mr. Gibbs said—I may remind the Council that though the Bill has been before it as a measure of the Executive Government, the Bill itself has been framed on recommendations which Government received from the Town Council and from the Municipal Commissioner. I believe the Town Council had the Bill under consideration for a very long time, and many meetings were held to consider in what way it could be best altered and improved, and the result of those meetings was that a letter was forwarded to Government by the then Municipal Commissioner, Mr. Pollen, embodying the alterations suggested by the Town Council, together with a good many suggestions of his own. It was on a consideration of all those suggestions that Government framed the measure which was introduced into this Council some ago and referred to a Select Committee. The Select Committee went very carefully into the matter, and its report, with the Bill as amended, was printed and published. The Bill has since then received further consideration at the hands of members of the Town Council, and the result of their deliberations is contained in a letter addressed to the Chief Secretary to Government by Mr. Maclean, Chairman of the Town Council, numbered 1595, and dated 20th December. The Bill was then sent to the which had been appointed by this Council to consider the Bill having sent in its report, had performed the purpose for which it was appointed, but, on receipt of this letter, I, as the member in charge of the Bill, thought it right that the former Committee should be consulted as to the fresh recommendations of the Town Council, and therefore, although in an informal manner, I requested the presence of the members of the Select Committee at a meeting (which most of them attended) a few days ago, and the additional recommendations referred to were very carefully considered. Some of the alterations were adopted as recommended, others were adopted in a modified form, and some have not been adopted at all. I think it necessary, now to refer to the constitution of this Council. It has been said—and I see it was stated again lately by one of the members of the Council—that this Council is not an independent body. I never felt that it was an independent body in the full sense of the term myself, but I am certain of this much, that it is as independent now as it ever has been. It is, if I may say so, a Legislative Company Limited. Its powers are limited, first of all, inasmuch as it cannot bring in or pass measures which will affect Acts of Parliament, nor can it pass measures affecting Acts of the Legislative Council of India passed subsequent to a certain date, I think 1861. Those are matters which it cannot in any way touch; and, furthermore, there are other matters which it cannot touch unless it first acquires the assent of the Governor General. That is another limitation of its powers. Every measure passed by this Council, before it can become law, as honorable members are aware, must receive the assent, not only of the Governor of the Presidency, but also of the Governor General: and, further, although the assent of the Secretary of State is not required to each Bill, that high officer has the power of vetoing any measure that is passed by this Council, even after it has received the assent of the Governor General. The consequence is that it may be fairly said that any measures which we pass through this Council have ever been and are now subject to the approval of the Governor General and also of the Secretary of State. Now, as a mere matter of convenience, and to prevent complications that would occur if this Council were to bring in and pass measures which were afterwards vetoed by the Governor General or Secretary of State, it has been the custom to send every measure which it has been proposed to introduce into this Council first to the Government of India and the Secretary of State to ascertain if they had any objection to the measure, and when those high officials have signified that they have no objection to a measure as proposed by a member of this Council, or by the Government, that measure is introduced into the Council. With reference to the Bill now before us, and to some of the proposals of the Town Council, it was necessary for me to make the observations which I have made on this point; and these observations are rendered particularly necessary on account of the proposal made by the present Town Council that the Government buildings shall be assessed in the same manner as the Government buildings are assessed in Calcutta and Madras, and also the proposal that the Government should be bound in the amended Act to make the contribution of Rs. 90,000 a year towards the maintenance of the police establishment a permanent one. The Council will remember that neither of these propositions was put forward by the Town Council in their suggestions for the amendment of the Act in the first instance, and in consequence, they found no part in the Bill which I had the honour of introducing into this Council, which Bill, as was then proposed to be brought in, received the prior assent of the Government of India and the Secretary of State. When I found that the present Town Council had mooted these two questions, in their additional recommendations, I referred to my learned friend, the Advocate General, to learn whether there was any difficulty in the way of our considering an amendment to the Bill in accordance with the recommendations of the Town Council, and he gave an opinion that the proposed alteration could not be made in the Bill unless the whole proceedings were stayed, and permission to make the amendments was first obtained from the Governor, because they were both matters affecting the public revenue of the whole Presidency. And, further, it was doubtful, as the Hon. Advocate General will tell you, whether these proposed amendments could be introduced at all into this Bill,—whether if Government wished to accede to the proposals of the Town Council they would not have to bring in a fresh Bill for the purpose. On these points, the Hon. the Advocate General will be able to give you a more clear explanation than I can offer; but I thought that these observations which I have made in introducing the Bill were necessary to explain the reason why we have not acceded to the proposals of the Town Council, in these respects. I will now notice the main recommendations of the Town Council, which I think may be divided into seven points. With regard to the assessment of Government buildings and the Government contribution to the Police rate, I have already said what I had to say, and I will leave it to the Hon. the Advocate-General to explain further on those points. The next point is as regards what are called the "bludgeon clauses." The first Town Council which sent in proposals for altering the Municipal Act did not, I believe, make any proposition with regard to these clauses, and it is only now that we are asked to cancel that portion of the old Act. Whether this could be done legally or not is not, perhaps, a matter of much consequence, because, although I am happy to say owing to the liberality of the Municipality no occasion has ever yet occurred which has required Government to put those clauses into operation, it is still considered by the Executive Government advisable to leave them where they are, more especially as they are only now, and were not originally, when the Town Council first proposed the amendment of the Act, thought necessary to be omitted. The next point is as to whether the Commissioner of Police should or should not be a member of the Corporation and the Town Council. This, also, is an entirely new point, put forward by the present Town Council, and not referred to by the former Town Council, which made the original suggestions, for the amendment of the Act. I may say here that the Town Council, in sending in their recommendations to Government, have not backed them up with any reasons, but Mr. Nowrojee Furdoonjee—a member of the Town Council who takes great interest in its affairs and who appears to have been the proposer or seconder of nearly all the proposals—has appended a minute which probably contains the reasons that led the Council to accept or decline the recommendations laid before them; and I cannot find in it any other than the following reasons for this proposal regarding the Police Commissioner. I may answer those which do appear by saying that if the Police Commissioner is a servant of the Municipality he is already ineligible for a seat in the Corporation, and if that is the case, it is for you to say if you have an objection to the Police Commissioner sitting there to take the matter into Her Majesty's High Court, where no doubt the learned Judges will decide the question. But supposing the Police Commissioner is a Municipal servant under the Act, which is the view the Government take, no reason has been shown why the gentleman who holds the office of Commissioner of Police for the time being should not be eligible for a seat in the Municipality or the Town Council. It is not that every Commissioner of Police is *ipso facto*, a member of the Corporation because he is a Commissioner of Police; for it has only been very recently, I believe, that Sir Frank Souter has been placed in that position, and Sir Frederick Roberts, who was formerly interested in the matter are of opinion that his presence in the Town Council is often very useful, because he is able to give greater details and more minute information about portions of the town and Island of Bombay than any other officer. Speaking for myself, and for the majority of the Select Committee, we do not consider that sufficient cause has been shown for limiting the choice of Government or the Corporation by preventing them from nominating the Police Commissioner as the time being a member of the Town Council. The next point is a proposal about which a great deal has been said, viz:—the suggestion to alter the 5th section of the Act, to include in the term ratepayer "any person holding a general power of attorney from, and paying rates on behalf of, any company, firm, or other association of persons, whether incorporated or not." This was an alteration proposed by the Town Council in their first application for an amended Act, and it is now repeated in the additional recommendations which we have received. The matter was very carefully considered by the Select Committee, and the determination was arrived at that it was not advisable to make such an alteration. Since the receipt of the subsequent communication from the Town Council, the matter has been again placed before the members of the former Select Committee who attended the meeting a few days ago, and they were unanimously of opinion that it was not advisable to make the alteration. The reason why it is not considered advisable is, in the first place, because, by the alteration in the franchise made in the new Bill, persons who keep a buggy and two-wheeled vehicle and pay Rs. 30 wheel-tax, will be not only able to vote, but eligible to become members of the Corporation and Town Council, and it is thought that that is sufficient qualification. The difficulty would not, however, arise before as far as agents of banks and large mercantile houses were concerned. The Select Committee did not consider that after the gentlemen who will become enfranchised by payment of the wheel-tax are taken into account, there will be any left for whom the Town Council proposed alteration will be advisable to be made; while the adoption of this proposal would also give rise to the very considerable difficulty that would arise in the case of a man who had a large property went to England or Calcutta or on the grand tour through India, and during his absence left a person with a power of attorney to look after his houses or business, that person would become entitled to the franchise, and having regard to the duties of the franchise, it was considered advisable

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AUCTION SALE of the materials of the European General Hospital, Cut Stone Racket Court, &c., &c., in Fort George, near Boree Bunder.

Under instructions from the Executive Engineer, Bombay Harbour Defences, Messrs. MEHRJEE JOHNSTON and Co. will sell for removal the buildings lately occupied by the European General Hospital with their out-houses in Fort George, by Public Auction, at the above place, THIS DAY, THURSDAY, the 20th December 1877, at 3 p. m., all materials of the European General Hospital with upper floor, Sergeant and Apothecary quarters, and canteen, Hospital for delirious patients, dead house, bath, necessary, day and cookrooms, cut stone racket court, skittle alley, tiled shed, the same consisting of a large quantity of tiles, teak, trusses, beams, posts, flooring planks, rafters, battens, glazed and plain windows, doors, corrugated iron sheeting, iron partition railings, and windows, chunam walls, Vehar water pipe, with cocks and meter, compound railings, cut stone paving slabs, &c., &c. The above will be sold in small convenient lots to suit purchasers.

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Bombay, 20th December.

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E—13-48—32 casks of paints.

AUCTION SALE of valuable blackwood carved Household Furniture, &c, at No. 12, Elphinstone Circle, next to Messrs. Wheatley, Madden and Co.

ON SATURDAY, the 22nd instant, at 2 p.m., Messrs MENESSE and Co. will sell by Public Auction at No. 12, Elphinstone Circle, the blackwood carved household furniture, &c., belonging to Mr. G. W. Read, changing his residence, the same consisting of blackwood carved sofa couches, drawing room, easy, arm, and without arm chairs, rattan and American chairs, bedstead, camp-cots, teacaddy, teapoys, clothes presses, wardrobe, cupboard, towel-horses, screens, pier, dressing, and washing tables, chiffoniers, dressing glass clock, flower vases, table ornaments, lamps, gentleman's saddle, cut glasswares, crockeryware, plateдware, cutlery, &c., &c.

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Bombay, 20th December 1877.

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NOTICE.

The SALE of the STOCK in TRADE of the late HAJEE ESSAW DAWOOD will be resumed TO-DAY, commencing with lot No. 303 at his shop in Apollo Street, Fort, at 1 P.M. to-day. It comprises, socks and stockings, leather writing desks, courier bags, shoes, boots, shoe-pars, concertinas, lady's shawls, table cloths and covers, railway wrappers, helmets and hats, leather Portmanteaus, English tin trunks, walking sticks, silk and alpaca umbrellas, English and Indian made Jewellery, consisting of brooches, lockets, rings, watch chains, shirt studs and links, necklaces, bracelets, and earrings, shop furniture, &c.

AUCTION SALE OF LANDED PROPERTY situate in Matharpakhady as well as in Mahim outside the Fort.

Messrs. CRAWFORD & COMPANY will sell by Public Auction on the premises on the days undermentioned, the properties hereinafter described, in separate lots, by order of Muncharbai, widow and executrix of the last will and testament of Shah Balgowundas Hargowundas (mortgagee) and with the consent of the mortgagors, Antonio Francisco de Souza, (since deceased) and Mathew de Souza, under the power of sale contained in the indenture of mortgage dated 30th day of June 1871, made between the said Antonio Francisco de Souza and Mathew de Souza of the one part and the said Shah Balgowundas Hurgowundas of the other part.

THURSDAY, the 20th December 1877, at 3 p.m.
LOT No. I.

All that piece or parcel of fazendary and belonging to Narayen Wassoodew, with the messuage, tenement, or bungalow standing thereon, situate without the Fort of Bombay, at Matharpakhady in the sub-district of Mazagon, to the west of the road leading to Gunpowder Works, assessed by the Collector of Assessment under No. 45 and admeasuring (396) square yards, be the same little more or less, and bounded on the east by a gully or passage lying between the said premises and the house of Ignacio Pota, on the west also by a gully or passage lying between the mortgaged premises and the house of Jao Alexo Bentista, on the north by a public passage, and on the south by a gully or passage lying between the mortgaged premises and the house of Estanio Luis Velladaro.

AT 4-30 P.M.
LOT No. II.

All that piece or parcel of fazendary land or ground belonging to the said Narayan Vassoodew, the messuage, tenement, or dwelling-house standing thereon, with its out-offices, situate without the Fort of Bombay at Matharpakhady, in the sub-district of Mazagon, to the north of the road to the Gunpowder Works, assessed by the Collector of Assessment under No. 7, admeasuring 977 square yards, be the same little more or less, and bounded on the east by the passage and house of Donga Jetha and Sorabjee Jeewanjee, on the west by a gulley or passage lying between the mortgaged premises and the house of Jadeboy Pestonjee, on the north by a public passage, and on the south by the public road leading to the Gun Powder Works.

TO-MORROW, FRIDAY, the 21st December 1877, at 3 P.M.
LOT No. III.

All that piece or parcel of land or ground or cart of cocoanut plantation, with the messuage, tenement, or dwelling-house, commonly called Santwar, situate without the Fort of Bombay, at Mahim, near Purbhadevy, in the sub-district of Mazagon, registered in the books of the Collector of Land Revenue under No. 632 and 651, of pension and tax, assessed by the Collector of Assessment under No. 354 A, admeasuring 5,445 6/9 square yards, be the same little more or less, and bounded on the east by the cart of Jadow Patell, on the west by the cart of Bapoo Trimbuck, on the north by the cart of Goolam Hoosun Cassum, and on the south by the public passage.

AT 4-30 P.M.
LOT No. IV.

All that piece or parcel of land or cart of cocoanut plantation with the messuage, tenement, or dwelling-house commonly called "Jamaroo" of one and half wheel, situate without the Fort of Bombay, at Mahim, near Foongari Tank in the sub-district of Mazagon, registered in the books of the Collector of Land Revenue under No. 848 of pension and tax, admeasuring 7,329 square yards, be the same little more or less, and bounded on the east by the public street, on the west by the cart of Khoja Ebrahim Soomar, on the north by the cart of Hurrichund Dinanath, and on the south by the public passage.

For particulars and conditions of sale apply at the office of Messrs. JANARDHAN and GHANDHIBHOY, Attorneys for the mortgage in Oak Lane, Fort, or at the office of the Auctioneer on the premises on the day of the sale.—Dated this 6th day of December 1877.

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On MONDAY, the 24th instant, at 2 p.m., Messrs. CRAWFORD & Co., will sell by Public Auction, at their rooms, a few pieces, ladies' fancy silk dresses of various colours and patterns. Now on view.

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